

Preliminary Amendment

Customer No. 01933

REMARKS

Consideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1, 2 and 4, for further prosecution on the merits, without traverse.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits now proceed on the basis of the election and Preliminary Amendment set forth above.

Claims 63, 64, 65 and 66 were amended to correct dependencies thereof. New claim 72 is added and corresponds to original claim 61, which was erroneously cancelled.

Non-elected claims 10-15, 18, 19 and 22 have been cancelled, without prejudice.

No new matter has been added. Entry of the revised set of claims is respectfully requested.

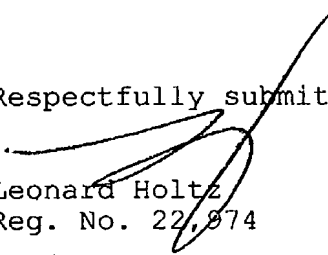
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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,


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